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SOLICITING FOR THE NEW CHURCH.

A word by the pastor to the members of the church:

The time for the erection of our church edifice has now been determined. This is the most important work of the church since its organization. Every member and friend of the church will be anxious to have a hand in this enterprise. The work of soliciting funds for this purpose is at hand, and must now be pushed vigorously. The pastor and F. D. Paulus have been appointed to canvass the membership of the church. R. L. Romy and D. W. Souder will canvass among the business men in the center of the city. Martin Connett and George Soliday among business men in the eastern, southern and western parts of the city. Valentine Monn and Jacob Rudisil will do canvassing among the people in the country.

Four thousand dollars or more of the amount needed for the building must be raised by the congregation, aside of the amount furnished by the different societies of the church. To raise the above amount we must all give liberally. Indeed, we hope every member of the church will find it a delight to contribute all he can toward the building. Your pastor asks that you shall make it a matter of prayer and conference with the Lord as to how much you shall give to this object. Let us not measure ourselves by others, but by the will and purpose which the Lord has with us. Your pastor has great confidence that whatever is undertaken for the Lord with faith in him, will also be accomplished. The Bible measure of giving is the one tenth. Read Leviticus 27: 30-33; Malchi 3: 8-12. But we have long neglected the Lord's rule of giving; we have not given our tenth. Let us now do like Zacheus, make good our past failures in a fourfold measure. We have recently learned of an orphan servant girl in the city, who gave fifty dollars of her hard earnings toward the erection of the new church edifice by the congregation of which she is a member. What a commendable spirit is manifested by this young girl. Her liberality

puts to shame thousands of well-to-do professors. The earnings of this servant girl are possibly a trifle more than a hundred dollars a year. She gave nearly the one-half of her year's wages. Fellow-Christian, let the liberality of this poor girl be an example to us. Let us pray that the same spirit of devotion to our church may be in us, and let us measure our giving by her example.

The pastor expects to make the canvass among our people as rapidly as possible. Hold yourself in readiness to give aliberal subscription for the new church.

The subscriptions by the members will be payable in four equal installments. The first installment to be paid April 1, 1893. Second, July 1, 1893. Third, Oct. 1, 1893. Fourth, Feb. 1, 1894. Payments may also be made in weekly or monthly installments by those who may prefer to do so. Special envelopes will be furnished for this purpose. D. W. Souder has been appointed Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, and will have charge of all the funds for the church building. Money can be paid to the Soliciting Committee, or through the weekly basket offerings; or direct to the Treasurer. Careful attention will be given that all will receive proper credit for amounts contributed.

It is hoped that every member of the church will be at the Communion service Sabbath morning, Oct. 23rd. This is a duty and privilege that should not be neglected. Preparatory services will be held the Friday evening previous. Applicants for church membership will be received at the Sabbath morning service. An opportunity will also be afforded for the baptism of children at this service. Do not forget to bring a special offering to the Lord on communion day.

D. W. Souder attended the meeting of the Ohio Synod at Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 5th to 16th. Mrs. Miller attended the meetings of the Women's Synodical Missionary Society, at the same time and place. These meetings will be held next year at at Bloomville, Ohio.

TWO SERIES OF SERMONS BY THE PASTOR.

Sabbath Morning Series.

THE NEW LIFE.

October 9th—Its Beginning in the Heart.

October 16th—Its Growth.

October 23rd—Its maturity. Communion Sermon.

October 30th—The Life Beyond.

November 6th—Degeneration.

Sabbath Evening Series.

POPULAR AMUSEMENTS.

October 16th—Pleasures Which Christians Should Forego.

October 23rd—The Theater.

October 30th—May Christians Attend Theaters.

November 6th.—Dancing.

November 13th. — May Christians Dance?

November 20th.—Card Playing.

November 27th.—State Y. P. S. C. E. Convention.

December 4th.—Novel Reading.

December 11th.—Gambling.

December 18th. — Wholesome Amusements.

Every member of the church should hear these sermons. The first sermon, of the Sabbath morning series was preached October 9th. Special interest has already been manifested in this series. The attendance is larger at our services, and the people are attentive. The sermons on the New Life should be of absorbing interest to every child of God. The pastor will have many new things to say on these topics, and hopes that his sermons may be helpful and edifying to the church.

The series of Sermons on Amusements will be preached in compliance with the wish of parents and many of our young people. You should hear these sermons from beginning to end. The right thing for every member of the church to do, will be to come to all of these services and bring all their friends with them. The pastor can furnish you with extra copies of the VISITOR, or Topic Cards, if you may wish to interest some friend in these series of sermons.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle meets at the Church parlors every Thursday forenoon and afternoon.

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THE BAZAR.

The ladies of the church are busy preparing for the Bazar, which they intend to hold during the Thanksgiving season. For some time past they have had sewings at the church parlors on Thursdays of each week. These sewings will be continued until the time of the Bazar, and should be attended by all the ladies of the church. Do not allow a few of the untiring women of the church to do all this work, and gain all the honor of earning money for the church edifice. We know that our ladies have many home duties, and yet there are some who always find some afternoons to devote to work for the church. It seems strange that the "sewing circle" should always be composed of about the same company of ladies. May God bless these willing workers, and have mercy upon those who are not willing.

The ladies of Grace Church have already won for themselves great credit and honor, and they are zealous to continue their work, until the new church is built and paid for. Indeed this church edifice will be a memorial to the activity and self-sacrificing love and devotion of these women. Let all the women of the church join hands and become colobers together for the extension of the Master's cause among us.

The following committee has been constituted to solicit from the members and friends of the church for the Bazar: Mrs. Zartman, Mrs. Paulus, Mrs. Chas. Gumper, Mrs. Martin Connett, Mrs. Hessard, Mrs. Souder, Mrs. Archer.

This committee is with one exception, composed of the officers and Executive Committee of the Ladies Society. The Visitor desires to prepare the way for this committee, so that rapid and efficient work may be done.

Money, provisions, and articles useful and ornamental will be needed for the Bazar. Dinners and suppers will be served. Every family should furnish for the tables as much as possible. If any prefer to furnish the committee with the ready cash they can do so.

It has been suggested that every lady of the church should furnish some fancy apron, beside other fancy work. And why not our gentlemen fall into line and dollkewise. Furnish some article for the country store, which is to be stocked with merchandise of all descriptions, hard-ware, tin-ware, china-ware, glass-ware, foot-ware, head-ware, etc., etc., and everything else. For further particulars consult the proprietor, Martin Connett.

The Sabbath School children are each to furnish a handkerchief for the Bazar. Let the children remember this and attend to it early.

For the edification and instruction of all who are concerned, we give below a list of the booths, and the committees in charge of them:

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"DINING-ROOM."

Committee in charge of tables:

First Table.—Mrs. Soliday, Mrs. Haight, Mrs. Kline. Assistants: Mary Rudisil, Bertie Saffern, Katie Snyder, Etta Souder, Mattie Monn.

Second Table.—Mrs. Lonergan, Mrs. Troxal, Mrs. Benedict, Mrs. Mathis. Assistants—Lillie Vordermark, Nora Romy, Mrs. Barbier, Katie Pence, Kittie Vining, Stella Lyles.

Third Table.—Mrs. John Snyder, Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Lydia Bell. Assistants—Mrs. Kelsey, Lizzie Rudisil, May Cavalt, Flora Monn, Emma Bercot, Mrs. Ernest Vordermark, Alice Connett.

The Bazar will open Wednesday evening, Nov. 16, and will continue until after Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24. Special effort and preparation will be made for the Thanksgiving dinner and supper, and the entertainments Thanksgiving eve and evening. It has not yet been decided where the Bazar will be held. Several locations have been in contemplation. Further notice of the Bazar will be given in the November issue of the Visitor.

MARRIAGE BELLS.

Joseph Weirick and Cora Everet were married at the home of Mrs. Byerson Barr street, September 24. Mr. and Mrs. Weirick will reside near Cherubusco, Allen County.

Wednesday evening, October 5th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith, 106 West Dewald street, their daughter, Jessie, was married to Walter C. Dederick, of Logansport, Ind. A large company of invited friends and relatives was present to enjoy the festivities of the evening. At 7:30 the happy groom and bride presented themselves in the east room of the house, where clusters of flowers and plants had been tastefully arranged for the occasion, and in a few words by the pastor, the nuptial knot was tied. After the many words of congratulation had been spoken, the guests were served to a bounteous supper. The evening was a pleasant one to every guest present. The bride and groom were presented with many beautiful as well as useful gifts. At an early hour on the morning following Mr. and Mrs. Dederick left for their future home at Logansport, where Mr. Deiderick is in the employ of a wholesale house. May the future of these young friends be happy and prosperous.

Persons in need of children's and ladies' aprons, should not buy until the Grace Church Bazar opens, Nov. 16th. The ladies will have many useful and artistic articles for sale. Wait and buy of them.

Several cantatas will be rendered during the Bazar. The one to be given Thanksgiving evening is entitled "The Jolly Farmers," and is very entertaining.

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Mrs. R. Gavin has just returned from a pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. McAndrew at St. Thomas.

The annual Thanksgiving dinner will be served this year in connection with the Bazar. Get yourself ready for a sumptuous feast.

The Treasurer's report for the third quarter of the year was presented to the consistory at its monthly meeting, Oct. 3rd. The report was received and approved by the consistory.

The statements of the weekly payments for the third quarter of the year have been issued and sent to the members. Up to date the payments have been prompt and liberal. Not many are in arrears. The consistory requests that all subscriptions for the current expenses of the church shall be paid in full for the year by the close of the present quarter.

BRICK, BRICK, BRICK.

One of the methods adopted by the Ladies' Society to raise money for the new church is to sell brick. Several hundred booklets will be issued, containing each 120 brick-certificates. These booklets will be placed in the hands of the children of the Sabbath School and members of the church. The brick are to be sold at ten cents each. For every ten brick sold the money must be reported to the Secretary of the Ladies Society, and also the voucher accompanying this number of brick. The brick may be sold as rapidly as possible, but the intention is, that each one shall sell at least ten brick every month, thus disposing of the one hundred and twenty brick

in the booklet in twelve months. Some of these booklets may also be sent to friends and Sabbath Schools abroad. The ladies will push this enterprise vigorously and we are certain they will make a success of it. It will be well for each gentleman in the church to have one of these booklets in his vest pocket, and help the ladies gather up the crumbs. The Secretary of the Ladies Society, Mrs. Charles Gumpfer, will have charge of this department of work. For booklets inquire of her.

AT REST.

At an early hour on Saturday morning, Sept. 23rd, Arthur G. Henderson, son of David and Mary Henderson, departed this life. Death came at an unexpected hour. Although seriously ill for several weeks, the attending physician and family were hopeful of Arthur's recovery until but a few hours before death came. For nearly two years past, he had been in the employ of one of the railroad offices in this city as stenographer; his close confinement to his work seemed to have so exhausted his nervous system, that he had not sufficient vitality to endure the severe attack of fever with which he was taken. He was ambitious, his absorbing desire was to be an expert in his profession and to give the utmost satisfaction to his superiors. And to this ambition he sacrificed his life. It is sad indeed that a young man with such a noble spirit and such a high aim in life should come to such an early grave. Arthur was highly esteemed and beloved by his parents and other members of the family. He had always been an obedient and solicitous son, and an affectionate brother. That he was highly respected by his associates and by the community, was manifest by the large number of persons who were in attendance at his burial. He was aged at his death, 23 years, 11 months and 13 days. The funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, September 26, from the home of his sister, Mrs. Chester Durnell, on West DeWald street. After a brief service at the house the body was borne to the Lindenwood cemetery, attended by a large number of sympathizing friends, and members of the order of Knights of Pythias. He leaves to mourn his loss a bereaved father and mother, two brothers and two sisters. Our sympathies and prayers are in behalf of these sorrowing friends. May the Lord comfort their hearts.

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Prayer Meeting Topics.

Oct. 16. God's messages. How
does He send them? Acts 10:5-6
Ex. 3:11-14. Martin Connett.

Oct. 23. Witnessing for Christ.
Acts 10:39-43; Luke 24:44-48. Nellie
French.

Oct. 30. Consecration meeting.
The First Christian, What do they
teach us? Acts 11:11; Acts 2:41-47.
Eugene Mathis.

Nov. 6. Safety of God's Chil-
dren. Acts 12:5-12; Psalm 34:7-10.
Birdie Saffern.

Nov. 13. Preparation for Service.
Acts 13:13; I Peter 4:7-10. Etta
Souder.

Nov. 20. God's Pledges and Ours.
(Thanksgiving service). Lillie Vor-
dermark.

Nov. 27. Consecration meeting.
How to be Lights in the World.
Acts 14:47; Eph. 5:6-8; Mrs. A. K.
Zartman.

JUNIOR SOCIETY.

Oct. 23. What must I do to be
saved? Acts 16:27-31. John Knight.

Nov. 6. Earnest Prayer. Gen.
32:25-28; Acts 6:27-31. Alice Con-
nett.

Nov. 20. The Lost Sheep, Luke
15:1-10. George Nill.

October 12th, Father Bolender and
the pastor spent the day at the home
of Mr. Fred. Snyder, near Arcola. A
number of other friends and neigh-
bors found it convenient to be at Mr.
Snyder's home on this same day, to
assist in perpetrating a birth-day sur-
prise upon this gentleman. The
plans made by his children for this
purpose were executed to perfection.
Father Snyder's 67th birth-day proved
to be a day of pleasant surprises to
him, and was heartily enjoyed by all
the guests present. This is also the
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